GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COAL
LOK SABHA

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COAL IMPORTING COMPANIES
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Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:

(a) the names of coal importing companies in the country;

(b) whether there is alleged monopoly of certain companies over coal imports;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the steps proposed to be taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COAL (DR. DASARI NARAYANA RAO)

(a) to (d): Government do not import coal. Since, coal is under Open General Licence(OGL), consumers are free to import coal based on their requirement. Thus there is no monopoly on Coal imports.